SUBJECT No. 82.

Appointment of a Commission for considering the condition of the Public Service.

Mr. H. Krishna Sastri Krishnarajapete Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—A Commission may be appointed for considering the condition of the Public Service with a view to ensure better efficiency of administration at minimum expenditure and to suggest means for establishing better relationship between the Government and the public.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 83.

Publication of a Hand Book in Kannada on the constitution of the Representative Assembly and citizenship.

Mr. R. opalaswamy Iyer, Bangalore City Municipality.

Summary of Representation.—(*a*) A handbook on the constitution of the Representative Assembly may be published in Kannada.

(*b*) Another handbook on the duties, rights and responsibilities of citizens may also be published in Kannada.

Withdrawn.

Discussion on the Rules of Debate in the Representative Assembly.

Mr. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe.—The rules of discussion recently issued by Government are probably responsible for the withdrawal of subjects by many of the members. Though the rules do not invest the President with any new or increased powers, yet the impression left on the minds of the members was that their freedom of speech was curtailed by the issue of the Rules. Without a notification of the kind in question, the President had all the powers necessary to preserve order in the Assembly and check irrelevance and repetition. It is not every member that is able to put forth his representation within a short time. The prescribing of a time limit will therefore act as a hardship in the case of several of the members. Every one of the members was always amenable to reason and always obedient to the President. There was therefore no necessity to pass a rule about preservation of order in the Assembly. It has caused considerable dissatisfaction among the members.

Mr. K. T. Seshaiya.—I generally endorse the views of Mr. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe. The Rules in question have no doubt caused some dissatisfaction among the members but there are other reasons which induced several members of the Assembly to withdraw the subjects that had been brought forward by them for discussion.

Dewan.—What other reasons?

Mr. Vema Reddy.—The time-limit prescribed in the Rules for each member desirous of speaking should be cancelled with a view to enable members to fully submit their representations. The rest of the Rules are alright.

Mr. Purushottama Anandagiri Gosai.—The rule which prescribes that "whenever in the opinion of the President a subject has been fully discussed, he may close all further discussion" seems to be somewhat arbitrary.